

Roasted Beet Salad*

Recipe Summary:

Preparation/Cook Time: 1 hour 45 minutes

Number of Servings: 4

Cups of Fruits and Vegetables Per Person: not given

Ingredients:

4 medium beets, ends trimmed (~ 1 1/2 lbs)

1/2 cup balsamic vinegar

2 Tbsp sugar

1/2 cup walnuts, coarsely chopped

2 tsp olive oil

2 pears, peeled and cored, cut into 8 wedges each

1/2 tsp salt

1/4 tsp ground black pepper

2 cups arugula (optional)

4 Tbsp (1 oz) crumbled blue cheese

Directions:

Preheat the oven to 425 degrees. Wrap the beets in foil and set on a baking sheet. Bake for 1 hour or until a knife easily pierces the beets. Remove from the oven and let cool for 30 minutes. Peel the beets, cut each into 8 wedges and transfer to a bowl. Combine the vinegar and sugar in a small saucepan. Bring the mixture to a boil over medium-high heat and cook for 5-6 minutes or until reduced by about half and thick enough to coat the back of a spoon. Set aside. Place the walnuts in a large nonstick skillet and cook over medium-high heat, shaking the pan often, for 2-3 minutes or until lightly toasted. Transfer to the bowl with the beets. Add the oil to the skillet and return to medium-high heat. Add the pears and cook for 2 minutes per side or until lightly browned. Remove from heat. Add the reserved vinegar mixture, salt and pepper to the beets, tossing to coat well. Place 1/2 cup arugula (if using) on each of the plates and top with the beet mixture and pears. Sprinkle each serving with blue cheese.

Nutrition Facts

Roasted Beet Salad Serving Size 1/4 of recipe

Amount Per Serving

Calories 301

% Daily Value (DV)*

Total Fat 13.2g

Saturated Fat 2.g

Cholesterol 6.3mg

Sodium 552.3mg

Total Carbohydrate 42.3g

Dietary Fiber 8.4g

Sugars 10g

Protein 6.8g

* Percent Daily Values are based on a 2,000 calorie diet.

Nutritionist Notes:

· High in manganese

To decrease calories from fat in recipe (currently at about 53% of total calories per serving):

- · May want to take out blue cheese
- May want to decrease walnuts to ¼ cup
- May want to decrease olive oil to 1 tsp or use pan spray to brown pears
- To decrease sugar in recipe:
- May want to decrease sugar to 2tsp

^{*} Source unknown